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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
PATENT
Attorney Docket No. 01198.0279

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In reply to the Final Office Action dated June 16, 2006, the period for response to which having been extended through December 18, 2006 (December 16<sup>th</sup> being a Saturday), by the attached petition for a three (3) month extension of time and the requisite fee of \$1,020.00, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Proposed Amendments to the Claims begin on 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.